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## Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Substantially homogeneous type Type II-like collagen isolated from one or more species of jellyfish, said collagen comprising at least 85 wt % of collagen-protein.

- 2. (Original) The type II-like collagen of claim 1, wherein said species is Stomolophus meleagris.
- 3. (Original) The type II-like collagen of claim 2, wherein said jellyfish comprise one or more elements selected from the group consisting of the umbrella, arms, and the whole organism.
- 4. (Original) The type II-like collagen of claim 1, wherein said collagen comprises at least 90 wt % of collagen-protein.
- 5. (Original) The type II-like collagen of claim 1, wherein said collagen comprises at least 95 wt % of collagen-protein.
- 6. (Original) The type II-like collagen of claim 1, wherein said collagen comprises at least 99 wt % of collagen-protein.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The type II-like collagen of claim 1, produced by the process comprising:
  - a. extracting acid insoluble collagen from one or more jellyfish species to form a solubilized collagen solution;